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Letter dated 19 January 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

With reference to the letter dated 5 January 1991 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Albania addressed to you (A/46/59-E/1991/7), which contains certain false allegations concerning the granting of visas to members of the Greek minority in Albania by our Embassy at Tirana, I have the honour to inform you of the following:

1. Owing to the sudden and very important increase of applications for visas by thousands of people, difficulties have arisen regarding the immediate satisfaction of all applications. In spite of this fact, there was no application outstanding by 31 December 1990.

2. Additional personnel has already been temporarily assigned to the Greek Embassy at Tirana, so that the situation may be better faced by increasing the rhythm of work.

I should therefore be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter circulated as a document of the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Report of the Economic and Social Council: human rights and mass exoduses", and of the first regular session of the Economic and Social Council, under the item entitled "Human rights questions", and brought to the attention of the Commission on Human Rights.

(Signed) Antonios EXARCHOS
Ambassador

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